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Title:

Methods and Systems for Providing Right and/or Left Heart Support During Cardiac

Surgery

AMENDMENT A

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

The Examiner's attention is directed to the Information Disclosure Statement that accompanies this Amendment.

This Amendment responds to the Office Action mailed January 31, 2003.

An automatic three month extension of time to respond, up to and including July 31, 2003, is respectfully requested. The requisite fee accompanies this Amendment.

Please amend the application as follows:

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